

# The Bulletin.

Reading Matter on Every Page.

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It is reported that Broadhead's poll will fall into the basket when Babcock's trial is completed.

This Republican State convention will be held at Springfield on the 21st day of May.

GODLOVE S. ORTH, minister to Russia, has been nominated for governor by the Republicans of Indiana.

LAWYER STORRS of Chicago, one of Babcock's attorneys, says District Attorney Dyer is no chicken.

The National Democratic committee which met in Washington on Tuesday voted to hold the Democratic National convention in the city of St. Louis, on the 21st of June next. This will be the first convention of the kind ever held West of the Mississippi river.

The New York Sun, independent Republican, says that the President "does not seem to notice the point, that swearing Babcock innocent, he is swearing Grant guilty. If the President was not an ardent fool, and the next thing to an idiot in this business, he was a fellow conspirator, and should be impeached and deposed."

## THE "NEW SOUTH."

The following from the Memphis Avalanche, is good:

"The other day Majaw Stoutemyer of the New Orleans Times and Majaw Duff of the Louisiana legislature went out to fight a duel. Once on the field, the two Majaws who served as seconds pondered deeply. They finally decided there was no occasion for a sacrifice of either editorial or legislative gore. Then the two bloody-minded Majaws shook hands, went on each other's shoulders, and returned to the city, honor having been vindicated. That's all."

When a paper published as far South as Memphis dares to raise its voice in ridicule of that once sacred Southern institution, "the code," it is an evidence that the "New South" is different from the old in more respects than one.

## CHICAGO'S HOPE.

The war of the Chicago merchants and shippers against high railroad freights and the consequent discussion of the cheap transportation question have impressed the Chicago Democrat with the belief that there is for Chicago but one "safe and practical relief from the oppressive burdens imposed by railroad monopolies." This relief lies in the improvement of the Illinois and Michigan canal—the widening and deepening of the channel until it will throw into the Mississippi river a volume of water sufficient to ensure navigation the year round when not interrupted by ice. The Democrat urges the business men of Chicago to make a vigorous move for congressional aid for the improvement of the canal, and warns them that "if Chicago awaits the action of chancery law suits to reduce railroad freights, and for our Canadian neighbors to dig through the frozen granite rocks of the St. Lawrence, they will wake up some fine morning and find St. Louis and Cairo shipping wheat to Boston and Liverpool, at about the cost of freight from Chicago to Galveston, with a corresponding rate for return freight."

## SHARON.

Sharon, the gold-mine Senator from Nevada, stopped in Chicago on his way to Washington and was there interviewed by the ubiquitous reporter of the Times. Sharon believes that Grant would invade his laurels if he ran for a third term, that he has not the remotest idea of doing so, and that he wouldn't get it if he did. The senator is a hard money man and believes that "the sooner the country gets down to a merely coinage interest on the debt, the better it will be for her and the people too." He thinks "the Democrats will be put completely in the shade in the presidential campaign," and doesn't know or care anything about the whisky trade.

## BEVERIDGE AND THE METHODISTS.

The Republican gubernatorial poll in Illinois is not boiling as yet, but "it is fixing to boil," as the colored cuisine puts it. In fact, it is simmering loudly, and promises to be a spicy political dish when fairly opened to the olfactory of the people of Illinois. The pot is watched, not only by the Republican politicians but more anxiously by the Republican Methodists of the State. It is well known that Gov. Beveridge is a Methodist. Before he stepped into the executive mansion at Springfield his motto was, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord—strictly according to the tenets of the Methodist church." But Methodism and dancing do not "mix," and our readers remember what a groan of horror went up from Methodist altars from one end of the State to the other when Gov. Beveridge scandalized his church by providing all the facilities for public dancing at his receptions three years ago. A strong pressure was brought to bear upon him; he became conscience-stricken and with a lively appreciation of the political power wielded in the State by the Methodist vote, he vetoed the dancing privileges. But many Methodists have treasured memories and they will not permit themselves to forget how the youth and beauty of Springfield chased the glowing hours with flying feet under the approving eye of the Governor himself.

And if Methodism and dancing don't mix, neither does Methodism and beer. The Methodist church is a temperance church; it was warmly in favor of the State temperance law and sent monster petitions to the general assembly in '73 praying for its passage; as a church, it is opposed to beer and holds no fellowship with beer-drinkers; its members drink lemonade and pop. But Governor Beveridge is not a lemonade and pop Methodist. He loves beer passionately and

drinks it too. This may be an affection assumed for the purpose of favorably influencing the German influence in the Republican State convention, but if it is, it shows Governor Beveridge in a character which must be faithful to all good Methodists. Such a one, who abhors decet, it must have been who told on the Governor in the Chicago Tribune of Monday. A letter to that paper, referring to Beveridge's dancing record, says:

It is also known that our pious Governor called upon one of our leading brewers one day last week, asking his support in the next State convention to secure his nomination for Governor. Says our Beveridge, "I don't believe in this Sunday Liquor law. I believe in our German friends having their full liberty, etc., etc. Why, I am passionately fond of beer," and to convince our worthy German citizen, to his surprise, drank freely of the flowing bowl. How can our Beveridge reconcile his Methodist brethren with this "beverage"? The fact is our Beveridge is a fraud, and will sell out his best friends to carry a point. The Methodist church has no confidence in him, as will be shown should he again insist upon coming before the people. The writer may have something more to say about this man Beveridge (unpleasant as it may be) should he continue to press his claim. A. Merriam.

How is this? Gov. Beveridge an approved dancer, a beer drinker, and a fraud "with all that name implies"? Will Beveridge be the Methodists' candidate this year? We fear not.

## POLITICAL NOTES.

—Steward, the independent candidate for governor of Illinois, bears a strong resemblance to Morton of Indiana.

—State Register: "What does the Republican State Central committee mean by meeting on Washington's birthday? He never stole anything."

—Somebody has elicited from Gen. Custer this opinion of Gen. Sherman: "He is a trump any way you take him. Very intelligent views of men and affairs, and unquestionably a great general. He would run like a steer."

—Gov. Beveridge is consoled for the opposition of the Chicago Tribune by the knowledge that "that paper has not named a successful candidate since 1868, and that it has lost its political character." The governor does not deny the Tribune's beer story about him, but "does not want to talk about the paper or any of its stories."

—The bill introduced in the senate by Mr. Sargent and in the house by Mr. Piper, amendatory of the silver coinage laws, provides for the coinage of a new silver dollar, equal in weight and value to two of the present silver half dollars, and proposes to make it a legal tender for amounts not exceeding \$20. The bill abolishes the existing legal tender provision regarding trade dollars. It also provides that silver half dollars shall be a legal tender for amounts not exceeding \$10, and that the government shall replace, without loss to the holder, all altered silver coins. The new silver dollar is to be coined on the government account only.

—Chicago Post and Mail: State Treasurer "Tom" Ridgway has written a letter to C. M. Farrell announcing himself as a candidate for governor. Col. Farrell wrote Treasurer Ridgway that Southern Illinois Republicans were anxious to have him for a standard bearer, to which the ingenious "Tom" replies that "inasmuch as the Republican party of the State of Illinois gave me the office of treasurer, because I sought it, I cannot refuse to perform any duty my friends may ask at my hands." The logic of these Southern Illinois men is sharp. The conclusion of Ridgway, by some law of association, reminds us of a gentleman of Norris City, White county, who, when a party was given in his town, was not invited, but he was present promptly, and, grasping the host's hand, he wrung it affectionately, exclaiming, as he did so, "I am here, you see. I know you didn't invite me, but I came, inasmuch as I wanted to show you I wasn't mad."

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

—Charlotte Cushman's estate is valued at \$600,000.

—The farmers in the neighborhood of Mason City report the fruit sale, and say there are prospects for an immense crop.

—The funeral of Charlotte Cushman took place at Boston on Monday afternoon.

—The tin ware factory of the Lalancs & Grosjean manufacturing company, at Wood Haven, Long Island, burned on Monday. The value of the establishment was \$500,000.

—An earthquake shook up the people of Detroit a few days ago, and so frightened the church goers of that city that they ran home and hid under their beds.

—John Kennedy, the alleged murderer of Marcus Louis, who was found dead in his store at Holly Springs about ten days ago, was captured by a farmer near Michigan City, Miss., on Monday.

—United States Treasurer John C. New, has signified his intention to resign his office on the first of April, as the declining health of his business partner makes it necessary for him to withdraw from the treasury department.

—The grand jury at Omaha has indicted two negroes named Caffee and Curry, for assaulting Mr. Rosewater, editor of the Omaha Bee, some two weeks ago.

—A person named William Munn, who went into the neighborhood of Wyland, Michigan, to purchase a farm has disappeared very suddenly, and it is feared he has been murdered, as it is known he had a large sum of money with him.

—The Rev. Mr. Scoville, Henry Ward Beecher's son-in-law, asked permission to withdraw from the advisory council, as he wished to take no part in the discussion over the report of the committee.

—Memphis Avalanche: The late Anthony Rothchild's son-in-law, a brother of the earl of Hardwicke, is said to be the first Christian who has married into that famous family of bankers. The other daughter of the Hebrew baronet is still single, and as four million pounds sterling are to be divided between the two sisters, perhaps some other Christian gentleman may be found willing to

sacrifice his prejudices on the matrimonial altar.

—An old and respected citizen of Big Rapids, Michigan, was arrested on Monday, charged with having attempted to rob the Northern National bank of that place. He dug his way under ground, commencing in the cellar of the building, about thirty feet away, and was discovered while trying to cut through the floor of the bank.

—William Bradford Reed, whose death was announced in New York city last Monday, was a descendant of Jos. Reed, of revolutionary fame, and was for many years one of the ablest lawyers of Philadelphia, his native city. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1822, and went to Mexico. Afterward he was a member of Polk's legation.

—Mme. Bishop, principal of the Union Square, New York, dramatic school, notified the coroner of that city a few days ago that one of her proteges, a young girl who had achieved quite a reputation as an amateur actress, had died under suspicious circumstances. It is claimed that the girl, who is only 17 years of age, was forbidden by her father to go on the stage, but she persisted in going and he therefore beat her, causing injuries which have induced her death. The lady belonged to an aristocratic family, and her father thought it degrading for her to adopt the theatrical profession.

—Frank Moulton has written a letter to Dr. Leonard Bacon, moderator of the Plymouth Church advisory council, in which he said "Mr. Beecher invoked the deity and challenged mankind to deny or disprove his innocence, and his defiant declaration the council accepted with applause. I am prepared to prove Henry Ward Beecher guilty of adultery and perjury, by evidence both oral and documentary, and that if it allowed the opportunity of producing such proof before the council—I fail to make good this assurance, then I am willing to be discredited and denounced by mankind as a wretch devoid of truth and honor, and unworthy of human association."

## ST. LOUIS.

The National Democratic Convention Will Be Held There

(Special to the St. Louis Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—As indicated in these dispatches from the beginning of the contest, St. Louis carried off the honors of the national convention. The two main arguments for the city were, the fact that Missouri has no candidate for either place on the ticket and the circumstance that St. Louis is the scene of the recent and greatest grief that has come to the Republican party. St. Louis really has the thing in her own hands from the first, and had not Louisville put in her claims the matter would have been decided on the first ballot.

## BABCOCK.

Judge Porter's Argument for the Defense.

(From the St. Louis Times, Feb. 23.)

The thirteenth day of the trial was consumed by Judge Porter in his closing argument for the defense, and the judge managed to confine himself to one day, though it was generally believed he would not be contented with two. Judge Porter is a man of fine legal appearance and is a very fair speaker. While speaking he seems to be on a constant strain and the effort appears so painful to him that it tends to render his hearers uncomfortable. Judge Porter speaks slowly, distinctly and earnestly, his voice quivering with every word. His speech was more of an appeal to the jury than an argument on the testimony. He began by denouncing the newspapers as scandal mongers and reputation-ruiners. The press, he said, does not hesitate to abuse and calumniate any person without cause, and presently refuses to make reparation. His philippic against the papers was understood when he assumed the task of defending President Grant and justifying his every act, personal and official. He consumed almost the entire morning without touching upon the testimony in the case.

In his defense of the president, Judge Porter censured Col. Broadhead severely for having intimated that Grant is not infallible. In the afternoon Judge Porter took up some of the testimony, but offered nothing new in the way of explanations. In regard to the secret correspondence with McDonald, he merely declared there was nothing wrong about it.

He employed the most extravagant language in eulogizing the president, and evidently regarded the jury as guilty of high treason, should they render a verdict of guilty.

Colonel Dyer will begin the closing argument at the opening of court to-day and will probably occupy the entire day. Should he not conclude until time for adjournment this afternoon, the court will not charge the jury until to-morrow morning.

There is one feature about this case, or the evidence offered for the government, that is different from all the preceding ones. For the conviction of McDonald, Avery and McKee, the government relied almost exclusively upon the testimony of accomplices who had turned State's evidence. To the class of evidence the defense urged the most strenuous objections. Judge Krum, who has been engaged in the defense of every member of the ring, arraigned for trial, urged that the testimony of accomplices is the most dangerous known in law and asked the court to so instruct. His position on this point was sustained by all his co-counsel, and even by the court, which did instruct each jury in accordance with the request. The defense in each case declared that no conviction should follow unless there was independent evidence against the accused; that is evidence outside of that given by conspirators. In this case the prosecution has nothing but "independent" evidence; they have not attempted to prove a single thing against Babcock by the members of the ring. The prosecution relies almost wholly upon documentary evidence and that given by parties who could not have been connected with the ring. Yet in this case, the defense, and Judge Krum with them, changes front and says, "Why can't you prove Babcock's guilt by his former associates in crime; you have not introduced any evidence from his alleged accomplices to show that they ever had any conversation with Babcock or that he knew of the existence of the conspiracy." Such is legal ingenuity and consistency.

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The Tickets Selected and the Platform Adopted.

## The Indiana Republicans.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—The Indiana State Republican convention met at the Academy of Music at 10 o'clock, and was called to order by General Brady, chairman of the central committee. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Bayless.

Mr. N. P. Richmond, chairman of the committee on the selection of officers, presented their report as follows:

E. B. Martindale, editor of the Journal, chairman; John W. Rax, principal secretary, with one vice-president and assistant secretary for each congressional district. The report was unanimously adopted.

## NOMINATIONS.

The convention then proceeded to ballot for State officers. The following names were presented for governor: Godlove S. Orth of Tippecanoe; James C. Denny of Knox; Leonidas Sexton of Rush; David C. Braham of Jefferson; and Albert G. Porter of Marion.

A letter was read from Mr. Porter positively declining.

Mr. Orth was nominated on the first ballot, as follows: Orth, 1,125; Braham, 181; Sexton, 315; Denny, 4; Porter, 268.

## THE TICKET.

As nominated, is as follows: For governor, Godlove S. Orth, minister to Austria; lieutenant-governor, Col. Robert L. Robertson, of Allen county; judges of the supreme court, W. P. Edison, of Posey county; A. C. Voorhees, of Lawrence county; H. C. Newcomb, of Marion county; John F. Kibby, of Wayne county; secretary of State, Isaac H. Miller, of Warrick county; clerk of the supreme court, Chas. Scott, of Clark county; superintendent of public instruction, O. H. Smith, of Spencer county. The convention adjourned at 6 o'clock, having been in continuous session eight hours.

The Wisconsin Republicans.

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 22.—The Republican State convention met here this forenoon. E. T. Brown was elected chairman.

The committee on resolutions presented a platform which was adopted. It declares sectional strife; declares the universal right of franchise without intimidation or fraud; calls for the punishment of official dishonesty; recognizes the unwritten law limiting the occupation of the presidency to not more than two terms, and says the declaration of President Grant declining a renomination claims the veneration and gratitude of the nation; advocates international arbitration in lieu of war; calls for sustaining the nation's credit by maintaining an honest economy, lauds the common school system; protests against sectarian control; and recognizes the Republican party as the savior of the country and the guardian of its future safety.

The following resolution was adopted. Resolved, That while we believe that the choice of the Republicans of Wisconsin emphatically favors the nomination of the nation's gifted son, Hon. James C. Blaine, yet in view of the threat to intervene before the assembling of the National convention, we deem it expedient to instruct our delegates, but trust to their intelligence, discretion and ability to fairly represent their constituents in the discharge of their important duty.

The convention then adjourned.

The Rhode Island Prohibitionists.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 22.—The Prohibition State convention met at the State house to-day. Most of the towns were represented. B. Chaney of North Kingstown, was elected president. The following ticket was placed in nomination: Governor, Albert C. Howard; lieutenant-governor, Alfred B. Chaney; secretary of State, Joshua M. Alderman; attorney-general, Warren R. Pelce; general treasurer, A. D. York.

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